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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **MATSUURA, et al.**

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Serial No.: **09/923,963**

Examiner: **Susy N. Tsang Foster**

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For: **METAL HYDRIDE ALKALINE STORAGE CELL AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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September 15, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **June 25, 2003**, please amend the above-identified application as follows: